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Memorandum

TO: BAIFA

DATE: April 9, 2014

FR: Executive Director

W. I. 6840

RE: Cooperative Agreement - Oversight of Final Design and Right-of-Way Phases for I-680 Express Lanes Southern Segment in Contra Costa County: Caltrans (\$505,000)

This memorandum seeks approval for the Authority to enter into a cooperative agreement with the California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) for the Interstate 680 Express Lanes Southern Segment Project, which will convert existing HOV lanes to express lanes from Alcosta Blvd. to Livorna Rd. (northbound) and Rudgear Rd. to Alcosta Blvd (southbound). This cooperative agreement requires Caltrans to provide reviews and approvals of BAIFA-developed Plans, Specifications & Estimate (PS&E) and Right-of-Way (ROW) documentation required for construction of the proposed express lanes. Caltrans has concurred with BAIFA's request to Advertise, Award and Administer (AAA) construction of this express lane project. Caltrans estimates the effort for reviewing and approving the PS&E documents as a reimbursable cost to Caltrans is not to exceed \$505,000.

Background

BAIFA and Caltrans are currently partnering under an existing cooperative agreement, effective June 20, 2012, that defines Caltrans and BAIFA's responsibilities for completion of a draft combined Project Study Report/Project Report (PSR/PR) and Project Approval/Environmental Documentation (PA/ED) for the Project. The existing cooperative agreement anticipates completion of the Project Initiation Document (PID) and PA/ED phases in May 2014. A 35% preliminary design was completed during the PA/ED phase. The design proposed for this express lane segment of Interstate 680 will allow a more open access concept with no buffer to limit ingress/egress of HOV eligible vehicles or single occupant vehicles electing to pay a toll.

This cooperative agreement provides for Caltrans oversight and review of multiple contract documents including the civil construction PS&E, toll system integration, the backhaul communication network, and advanced sign structure procurements.

Recommendation

Staff recommends the Authority authorize the Executive Director or his designated representative to negotiate and enter into a cooperative agreement with the Catrans in an amount not to exceed \$505,000 to provide reviews and approvals required for the Contra Costa Interstate 680 Express Lanes Southern Segment PS&E and ROW documents.


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REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY APPROVAL

Summary of Proposed Cooperative Agreement

Work Item No.: 6840

Agency: California Department of Transportation (Caltrans)

Work Project Title: Oversight of Final Design and Right-of-Way Phases for I-680 Express Lanes Southern Segment in Contra Costa County

Purpose of Project: The purpose of the BAIFA I-680 Express Lane project is to develop Express Lanes that utilize the current excess capacity of the existing High Occupancy Vehicle lanes. The project will also provide non-carpool eligible drivers with a reliable travel time option.

Brief Scope of Work: Caltrans will attend project planning meetings and monthly PDT meetings. Caltrans will also review and approve engineering studies, reports, plans, specifications, estimates and right-of-way documentation required for construction of the I-680 Express Lanes from (Alcosta Blvd to Rudgear Rd).

Cost Not to Exceed: \$505,000

Funding Source: BATA Capital Program Budget

Fiscal Impact: Funding is included in the Express Lane Capital Project Budget, as adopted in the FY 2013-14 Toll Bridge Program Operating and Capital Budget (BATA Resolution No. 111, Revised).

Motion by Authority: That the Executive Director or his designee is authorized to negotiate and enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Caltrans as described above and in the Executive Director's memorandum dated April 2, 2014, and the Chief Financial Officer is directed to set aside funds in the amount of \$505,000 for such cooperative agreement.

BAIFA:

Amy Rein Worth, Chair

Approved:

Date: April 9, 2014